

Application Serial No.: 10/772,493
Applicants: Tina L. Bramlett et al.
Response Filed: January 31, 2005
Response to Office Action Date: November 29, 2004

III. REMARKS

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application.

United States Serial No. 10/772,493 was filed on February 5, 2004.

The PTO mailed a Restriction Requirement on October 5, 2004.

Applicants responded to the Restriction Requirement on October 29, 2004 by electing the claims of Group I (claims 1-19) for prosecution in the present application, and traversing the restriction requirement between the claims of Groups I and II.

The PTO mailed an Office Action on November 29, 2004. According to the Office Action, claims 1-19 were withdrawn from consideration and claims 20-37 were rejected. Thus, the PTO has inadvertently searched and examined the non-elected claims (i.e. Group II, claims 20-37), instead of the elected claims (i.e.-Group I, claims 1-19).

Applicants desire to prosecute the elected claims (claims 1-19) in the present application. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully request that the November 29, 2004 Office Action be withdrawn and that the elected claims be searched and examined.

Objection to the Abstract

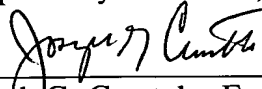
The text of the Abstract has been objected to under MPEP §608.01(b). Applicants have amended the Abstract by deleting the word "comprising" and inserting therefor the word "having." Applicants respectfully submit that this amendment overcomes the objection to the Abstract.

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In view of the above remarks, Applicants respectfully request that the PTO withdraw the Office Action mailed on November 29, 2004, examine claims 1-19, and set a new period for reply.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the undersigned attorney would welcome a telephone call.

Respectfully submitted,



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